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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Michael Powell, Chairman Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street SW, Room  
Washington, DC 20554

In the matter of: Nomination for Universal Service Administrative Company Board of Directors,

FCC Docket Nos. 97-21 and 96-45.

Dear Mr. Powell:

We would like to nominate the Rev. William F. Davis, OSFS to serve a second term on the Universal Service Administrative Company Board of Directors representing schools that are eligible to receive support from the Universal Service program. Father Davis has served on the Board for three years, where he has been an active member of the Schools and Libraries Committee which oversees E-Rate.

As representatives of both private and public schools, we feel that Father Davis has been a strong advocate on behalf of our communities. His breadth of experience with respect to the educational use of telecommunications is commendable, and he maintains a high level of credibility with the constituency he represents on the USAC board. He also has a wide range of experience in working with both public and private schools through his fourteen years of education policy experience including technology issues and the E-Rate program especially.

We strongly believe that the continued mission of the USAC Board of Directors will be well served by Father Davis' presence. We urge the commission to reappoint Father Davis to the USAC Board.

We would be pleased to provide you with any additional information about his credentials.

Sincerely,

Association of Educational Service Agencies  
National Association of Independent Schools  
National Catholic Education Association  
National School Boards Association

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**Rev. William F. Davis, O.S.F.S.**

Serves as the Deputy Secretary for Schools at the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB); where he has served since 1990. His main responsibility is the development of educational policy for the Catholic Bishops of the United States from grade K through higher education. He was appointed by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to serve on the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) where he serves as a member of the Schools and Libraries Committee overseeing the e-rate program. Father Davis has served as the Director of Personnel and Education for his religious community for four years; as Superintendent of Catholic Schools for the diocese of Arlington, Virginia for eight years, as a high school principal for seven years, as an assistant principal in charge of curriculum for five years, and was a classroom teacher for eighteen years. Father Davis has an Ed.D in Educational Administration, from Catholic University; an M.A. in history from Villanova University; and a B.A. in philosophy from Catholic University.